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Applicant : Laub et al.) Group Art Unit 1644
Appl. No. : 09/853,080)
Filed : May 9, 2001)
For : ANTIGENIC POLYPEPTIDE)
SEQUENCES OF FACTOR VIII,)
AND FRAGMENTS AND/OR)
EPITOPES OF THESE)
SEQUENCES)
Examiner : Nolan, P.J.)

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to Comply with the Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequences and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures mailed September 30, 2002 and prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraphs beginning on page 7, at line 22 and ending on page 13, at line 19, with the following rewritten paragraphs:

SEQ ID NO:1:

Arg Asp Ile Thr Arg Thr Thr Leu Gln Ser Asp Gln Glu Glu Ile Asp Tyr ,
possibly deleted from one or more amino acids of the tetrapeptide Arg-Asp-Ile-Thr (SEQ
ID NO: 34) or one or two of the last amino acids of the peptide Asp-Tyr,
the epitope aspartic acid 1681 to arginine 1696 inclusive, defined by the following
sequence:

SEQ ID NO:2: